

## BUDGET HEARING AND VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – November 21, 2016

### **Public Hearing**

Notice of the Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed 2017 Budget for the Village of Wales was published in the Lake Country Reporter on October 29, 2016. The Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Flaws.

Members Present: Jeffery Flaws, Eugene Mayernick, Risa Kuhlman, Neal Wiebelhaus and John Meyer

Also Present: Clerk Tamez; Mike Rotroff, Rotroff and Jeanson; Steve Hanson, SEH; and Paula and Jerry Anderson, 435 E. Welsh Road

Excused: John Reinbold and Wolfgang Hemschik

Clerk Tamez noted that proper notice of this meeting had been posted in accordance with the open meeting laws of the State of Wisconsin.

### **Public Comments:**

No comments were received. The Village's accountant, Mike Rotroff, presented the final budget to the Board. The proposed 2017 operating budget for the Village of Wales is \$2,113,129.00 (this includes debt service). A levy of \$1,238,144.00 is being proposed along with a decrease in the Village's tax rate of 1.8%. The new rate is \$3.432 per thousand for 2017. No major changes or purchases included in the 2017 budget.

The public hearing closed at 7:06 p.m.

### **Board Meeting**

Village President, Jeffery Flaws, called the Regular Village Board meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Members Present: Jeffery Flaws, Eugene Mayernick, Risa Kuhlman, Neal Wiebelhaus and John Meyer

Also Present: Clerk Tamez; Mike Rotroff, Rotroff and Jeanson; Steve Hanson, SEH; and Paula and Jerry Anderson, 435 E. Welsh Road

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### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Paula Anderson, Village Poet Laureate, read two poems to the Village Board.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion by Trustee Meyer, second by Trustee Kuhlman, Board members approved the Village Board minutes of the November 7, 2016, meeting and waived reading thereof.

## **UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 BUSINESS**

### **Sanitary Sewer Status—SEH**

Village engineer Steve Hanson reviewed the pumping station operations and chemical testing. Food solids, seeds and other items have been found in the pump house and line. They are causing our rates with the City of Waukesha to rise by 1/3. Hanson did not know their origin, but assumed Pick 'n Save and/or Kwik Trip. There is no real way to tell who is doing it. Someone will contact Pick 'n Save and the Village will write letters to all the properties connected to the system informing them of things that should not be placed down the drain and into the sewer line. It will also state that they could be charged for doing so. We may need to sample individual property's outputs.

Tenby Harbor's connection to the system was televised in anticipation of Town Bank and Walgreen's connecting. There are dirty laterals and lines that will need to be addressed, but the two will be allowed to hook up. Also, there is still about 100 ft. of line installation costs that need to be billed to the Kettle Moraine School District. Steve will get the costs shortly.

### **Non-Routine Maintenance Event Procedures**

The Board reviewed the list of non-routine maintenance event procedures and the contact list. We will be calling contacts on the list and updating as needed. We will also update the Village contacts for during and after business hours, and emergency calls.

### **Update: Billing, Connections and Special Charges—Clerk Tamez**

Clerk Tamez gave an update to the Board. All outstanding sewer bills have been placed on the real estate tax bills for collection. Special Charges for hooking into the sewer system have also been placed on the tax bills.

### **Sewer Ordinance Update**

The ordinance review is tabled until receipt of a draft from the Village Attorney.

### **Sewer Rate for 2017**

Mike Rotroff went over our proposed 2017 budget. Bioxide charges, sampling fees and a number of other costs have been higher than expected. He suggested we wait until February to set the 2017 rate. At that point we will have a full year of charges, fees and costs, and have a better handle on expenses. The Board agreed.

## **VILLAGE BOARD BUSINESS**

### **FIRE CHIEF MONTHLY UPDATE**

Chief Moon was not required to attend. Board members reviewed the monthly report. There were 58 calls for October 2016. 13 in the Village of Wales, 33 in the Town of Genesee (New service area: 13) and 12 – other. Total runs for 2016—453 (New service area to date: 114). There were 6 fire calls (all in Genesee), 7 motor vehicle accidents (2 in the Village, 5 in Genesee), 33 EMS calls (11 in the Village, 22 in Genesee) and 12 mutual aid calls given.

**ADOPTION OF 2017 BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE**

Motion by Trustee Kuhlman to approve the 2017 budget for the Village of Wales in the amount of \$2,113,129.00 second by Trustee Mayernick, passed.

**ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE VILLAGE OF WALES FOR 2017**

Motion by Trustee Mayernick to adopt an ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of \$2,113,129.00 and levying a tax in the amount of \$1,238,144.00 upon all the taxable property within the Village of Wales as returned by the assessor in the year 2016 for the use and purposes as set forth in said budget for the operation of the government and administration of the Village of Wales for 2017, second by Trustee Wiebelhaus, passed.

The tax rate for the 2017 Budget for the Village of Wales is set at \$3.432 per thousand.

**FINAL PAY REQUEST FOR LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION ON HIGHWAY 83—BLAZE LANDSCAPE CONTRACTING, INC.**

Blaze Landscape Contracting, Inc., is requesting a Final payment of \$1337.00 for all work completed. The Village Engineer has recommended approval of the payment for a total payment to the contractor of \$25,403.00.

Motion by Trustee Wiebelhaus to Approve the Final Pay Request for Blaze Landscape Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$1,337.00, contingent on them providing final lien waivers prior to the payment being made, second by Trustee Kuhlman, passed

**AUTHORIZE YEARLY PAYMENT TO WALES MEMBERS OF THE JOINT FIRE BOARD**

Motion by Trustee Mayernick to pay the Wales members of the Joint Fire Board \$60 per regular monthly meeting attended in an amount not to exceed \$720.00 each, second by Trustee Wiebelhaus, passed.

**BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT**

Bills submitted for 2016 expenses were approved on a motion by Trustee Kuhlman, second by Trustee Meyer, passed.

Correspondence and miscellaneous files were submitted.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 9:02 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Wiebelhaus, second by Trustee Kuhlman, passed.

Submitted by:  
Gail E. Tamez, Clerk